



## ASIAN AMERICAN QUALITY OF LIFE ADVISORY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2018

The Asian American Quality of Life Advisory Commission (AAQOLAC) convened in a regular meeting on Tuesday, December 18, 2018 at City Hall in Austin, Texas.

Chair Vince Cobalis called the meeting to order at 6:13 P.M.

**Commission Members in Attendance:** Vince Cobalis, Sarah Chen, Kirk Yoshida, Nguyen Stanton, Pramod Patil, Debasree DasGupta, Peter Chao, Pooja Sethi, Aporajita Ahmed and Shubhada Saxena

**Staff in Attendance:** Rey Arellano, Joe Silva, Brian Manley, and Farah Muscadin

### 1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION:

None

- 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The approval of the minutes from the AAQOLAC meeting on November 20, 2018 was moved by Commissioner Yoshida and seconded by Commissioner DasGupta. The motion was approved 8-0 with Commissioners Patil and Stanton not yet present.

### 3. OLD BUSINESS

#### a. Workgroup Reports

1. **AARC** – Workgroup report was submitted. No discussion from Commission.
  2. **Health** - Workgroup report was submitted. No discussion from Commission.
  3. **Arts and Culture** – Commissioner Patil provided a verbal update on the work of the workgroup.
  4. **Community Engagement** - The notes from the Community Dialog meeting held on November 11, 2018 were included as agenda backup. The workgroup will wait to address the AAQOL Initiative website until after the City revises its social media guidelines.
  5. **Business Planning** – The workgroup is working on a budget tracking document. Commissioner Yoshida provided an update of the mini-grant application process.
  6. **Human Resources** - The workgroup did not meet last month and the Commission did not discuss.
- b. **Joint Inclusion Committee (JIC)** – No discussion from the Commission.
- c. **Discuss changing Commission Workgroup structure** – No discussion from the Commission.
- d. **Discuss Community Dialogue event** – Discussed as agenda item 3a4.
- e. **Update on the mini-grant process** – Discuss as agenda item 3a5.
- f. **Follow-up Action Items** - No discussion from the Commission.

- g. **Update on AARC projects** – A memo on the AARC Master Planning process was included as backup. No discussion from the Commission.

#### **4. STAFF BRIEFING**

- a. **Introduction of Austin Police Chief Brian Manley** – Chief Brian Manley provided an update on the status of the hiring of the APD Asian Neighborhood Liaison, the new APA contract, and responded to questions from the Commissioners.
- b. **Police Oversight Advisory Working Group** – Farah Muscadin, Director, Office of Police Oversight, provided an overview of the changes to the City’s Office of Police Oversight.

#### **5. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Commission Chen moved to approve the proposed recommendation regarding the City Manager’s Executive Team. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Yoshida and was approved on a 10-0 vote.

#### **6. FUTURE AGENDA**

- a. Stronger Austin Initiative - Parks and Recreation Department
- b. Austin Fire Chief – Austin Fire Department
- c. 2018 Bond Program – Neighborhood Housing and Community Development

- 7. Chair Cobalis adjourned the meeting without objection at 7:46 P.M.